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SC #04638-63

22 March 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director for ELINT

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SUBJECT:

Certification of TOP SECRET Category III

COMINT Clearances by the Chief,

1. Reference is made to your memorandum SC #04075-63 captioned as above. By this memorandum, you requested that negotiations be conducted with the Air Force Foreign Technology Division (FTD) at Andrews Air Force Lase. It was hoped that FTD would grant permission to allow the Chief,

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to certify the COMINT Category III clearances of the visitors he escarts to FTD, Patrick Air Force Base.

2. In this regard, I discussed the above request with the Special Intelligence Security Branch of the DD/I. They, in turn, contacted the Deputy Chief, SPINT Staff. He advised that there did not appear to be sufficient justification to handle certifications in the manner you requested. Earthermore, since the various military services are reluctant to accept this type of certification, he felt that present and future cerdification to FTD at Patrick Air Force Base should be handled is the routine manner.

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3. This information was verbally transmitted to of the Operations Division who advised that he would forward requests for COMINT Category Ill to my office so that all trainces at 25X1C could be cleared in the manaer prescribed by the Deputy Chief. SPINT Staff.

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